## **CLAIMS**

Having described the invention, what is claimed as new and secured by Letters Patent is:

1. A system for dental x-ray examinations, comprising:

an image sensor;

a sheath covering the image sensor; and

a holder having an adhesive coating and bonded to the sheath by the adhesive

coating.

- 2. The system as set forth in Claim 1, wherein the image sensor comprises a charge-coupled device.
- 3. The system as set forth in Claim 1, wherein the image sensor comprises a CMOS active pixel sensor array.
- 4. The system as set forth in Claim 1, wherein the holder is bonded to the sheath at any point along a surface of the image sensor.
- 5. The system as set forth in Claim 1, wherein the sheath is a material selected from the group comprising paper, cotton, sponge, rubber, plastic, latex, and nylon.

- 6. The system as set forth in Claim 1, wherein the adhesive is selected from the group comprising tape, epoxy, hot melt, and sealant.
  - 7. A system for dental x-ray examinations, comprising:

an image sensor;

a sheath covering the image sensor;

an adhesive coating on the sheath; and

a holder bonded to the sheath by the adhesive coating.

- 8. The system as set forth in Claim 7, wherein the holder is bonded to the sheath at any point along a surface of the image sensor.
- 9. The system as set forth in Claim 7, wherein the sheath is a material selected from the group comprising paper, cotton, sponge, rubber, plastic, latex, and nylon.
- 10. The system as set forth in Claim 7, wherein the adhesive is selected from the group comprising tape, epoxy, hot melt, and sealant.
  - 11. A system for dental x-ray examinations, comprising:

an image receptor; and

a holder removably bonded to the image receptor by an adhesive coating.

- 12. The dental positioning system as set forth in Claim 11, wherein the image receptor comprises film.
- 13. The dental positioning system as set forth in Claim 11, wherein the image receptor comprises an electronic sensor.
- 14. The dental positioning system as set forth in Claim 13, wherein the electronic sensor comprises a CMOS active pixel sensor array.
- 15. The dental positioning system as set forth in Claim 13, wherein the electronic sensor comprises a charge-coupled device.
- 16. The dental positioning system as set forth in Claim 11, wherein the sheath is a material selected from the group comprising paper, cotton, sponge, rubber, plastic, latex, and nylon.
  - 17. The dental positioning system as set forth in Claim 11, wherein the adhesive is selected from the group comprising tape, epoxy, hot melt, and sealant.
  - 18. A holder for a dental image receptor having an adhesive coating to removably bond said holder to the dental image receptor.